Banning the Sale of Human Organs

801. SHRI V. NARAYANASAMY: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the sale of human organs continue to rise in Bombay and in other State Capitals violating Government guidelines and norms; and

(b) if so, what steps are being taken by Government to completely stop selling of human organs in the country?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI RASHEED MASOOD): (a) The Government have seen reports that illicit trading in human organs is taking place in Bombay and Madras.

(b) With a view to regulating the trading in human organs, the Government is actively contemplating the enactment of a comprehensive legislation which will be applicable throughout the country. The proposed legislation will *inter-alia* include provisions for (i) banning sale of human organs for valuable consideration, and (ii) promoting voluntary donation of human organs from living persons to near relatives.

802. [*Transferred to 21st August*, 1990.]

Surprise Checks of Delhi Hospitals

803. SHRI MURLIDHAR CHANDRAKANT BHANDARE:
SHRI MAHENDRA PRASAD:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Minister undertook surprise checks of different hospitals in the Capital in June this year;

(b) if so, what were the main short-comings detected in the functional and maintenance of these hospitals; and

(c) what specific improvements have been and are being effected in these hospitals, and what steps are being taken to ensure that the lavatories and urinals in the hospitals are properly maintained, duly cleaned, flushed and fitted with all the requisite appliances?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI RASHEED MASOOD): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) During the visit to various hospitals, it was noticed that the general standard of cleanliness in wards as well as boathrooms, lavatories was far from satisfactory. In certain cases, there were complaints of lack of adequate timely attention by staff and Medical Officers concerned. There were some complaints about quality of food also. Necessary instructions were given to Medical Superintendents of various hospitals to improve sanitation condition in and around hospitals. They were also instructed to ensure that the Medical Officers and Para Medical Staff give adequate attention to patients. Instructions have also been issued to display diet charts in various wards. Medical Superintendents have informed that the instructions given to them are being followed strictly.

Setting up of industries in Jammu and Kashmir for generating employment

804. SHRI MURLIDHAR CHANDRAKANT BHANDARE:
SHRI MAHENDRA PRASAD:

Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether any effective steps have been taken to encourage private sector investments in industries in Jammu and Kashmir and also to set

up more industries there with a view to generating employment opportunities, as part of the drive for normalisation of the situation in that State: and

(b) if so, what are the details in this regard and the response of private entrepreneurs thereto?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI AJIT SINGH): (a) and (b) State Government of Jammu and Kashmir have introduced a package of incentives for small, medium and large scale industrial units. These incentives provide, among other things, allotment of land and sheds, exemption and concession of tax, sales tax exemption on machinery, subsidy on purchase of diesel generating sets and other equipment, stipends for training of entrepreneurs, price preference and marketing support.

As regards employment opportunities, according to Government of Jammu and Kashmir, 1854 SSI units have been registered during the year 1989-90 which approximately generate employment of about 8000 persons. For the current year, the State Government have set a target of 2000 SSI units to be registered and these will generate employment to nearly 9000 persons.

Under self-employment programme, 9562 units have been registered ending December, 1989, generating employment of 22,600 persons. For the current year, the State Government envisage setting up of 1,800 units under this programme which will provide employment opportunities to 4260 persons.

Cholera and Gastro-Enteritis in Delhi

805. SHRI MURLIDHAR CHANDRAKANT BHANDARE:
SHRI MAHENDRA PRASAD:
SHRI SHANTI TYAGI:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether cholera and gastro-enteritis had broken out in the Capital in June-July this year;

(b) if so, what was the number of cases of each type reported in the capital during each of these months and how many of them were fatal;

(c) what are the comparative figures in this behalf for the past three years; and

(d) what steps have been taken to check the epidemic?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI RASHEED MASOOD): (a) and (b) According to the information received from Delhi Administration, the number of reported cases and deaths due to Cholera and gastro-enteritis during June and July this year are as under:—

	Cholera		Gastro-enteritis	
	Cases	Deaths	Cases	Deaths
June, 90	63	Nil	6641	6
July, 90	132	Nil	5677	..